to by the environementalists and city planners and they have expressed concern about the long-term implications of such measures;

(b) if so, whether this problem has been sorted out as there is paucity of time for raising such structures for the 2010 Commonwealth Games; and

(c) the status of the progress of other similar projects in Delhi or in the NCR where some of the games may also be held?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) The Master Plan for Delhi (MPD 2001) has been amended *vide* notification dated 18.8.2006 to carry out change in the land use of 16.5 hectares on Yamuna bed in connection with the holding of Commonwealth Games, 2010, after following the prescribed statutory procedure of inviting suggestions/objections from the public. The suggestions/objections received from the public which included Town Planners and Architects were considered by a Board constituted by Delhi Development Authority (DDA). The proposal has also been cleared by the Yamuna Action Cornmittee of the Central Water Commission.

(c) DDA has reported that it has the responsibility to develop the Commonwealth Games Village at Noida Mode, venue for Table Tennis at Yamuna Sports Complex and venues for Badminton, Squash and Cue Sports at Siri Fort Sports Complex as well as training facilities for some events, for which it has initiated necessary action. Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi has also reported that the projects on city infrastructure, planned for Commonwealth Games, 2010, are regularly monitored.

Khanna Committee recommendations on DDA's construction work

†3013. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to take back the house construction work from Delhi Development Authority on the basis of recommendations made by Khanna Committee;

(b) if so, the facts thereof:

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether this decision of Government would lead to the discontinuance of services of the employees of Delhi Development Authority; and

(d) if so, the facts thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) The Tejendra Khanna Committee set up by the Government to look into various aspects relating to unauthorised constructions and misuse of premises in Delhi had in its Report submitted to the Government on 13.5.2006 made certain recommendations regarding the change in the role of the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) in terms of its planning, housing monitoring and regulatory functions. The Government has initiated consultations with the Agencies concerned to arrive at a decision in the matter.

AP request for inclusion of Warangal and Tirupati under JNNURM

3014. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constituted a national steering group for implementation of the Jawahar Lal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the inclusion of Warangal and Tirupati in the mission; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A National Steering Group under the Chairmanship of the Minister of Urban Development with the Minister of State for Housing and Poverty Alleviation as the Co-Chairperson has been constituted to steer the mission objectives.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh requested for inclusion of Warangal and Tirupati in the mission. However, it was not found possible to include these cities under the mission, as the number of cities covered under JNNURM has been restricted to around 60. The mission covers 63 cities at present. This Ministry has also launched another scheme,